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HONGKONG, 27th March, 1901.

THE Governments of London and St. Petersburg have chosen the quickest and easiest method of settling the dispute between the Railway Company and the Russian military authorities at Tientsin. They have fixed on Count von Walderssee, Commander-in-chief of the allied troops in North-China, as arbitrator, and it is difficult to see how a better choice could have been made. It is true that Count von Walderssee is in Germany when the events occurred which have led to Russia making so large a claim for land at Tientsin; but he is on the spot, and the evidence can all be checked with far more speed and accuracy than if the matter were to be settled in Europe. The Peking correspondent of a Shanghai contemporary, whom we quoted yesterday, gave brief account of the point at issue at Tientsin. For convenience we reproduce his words. "The railway company," he says, "wished to lay rails from the station to the river-bank, which is only fifty yards away. The intervening ground (now occupied only by debris of a few Chinese huts) is claimed as Russian territory, by right of conquest, because Russian blood was spilt there in the defence of Tientsin last June and July. The claim is denied by the other Powers, on the ground that by international agreement there was no war of conquest, and furthermore all nations alike took part in defending Tientsin, and all shed their blood on that particular spot as well as elsewhere." It seems, moreover, that the proposed siding was specially designed to facilitate the carriage of supplies from vessels in the Peiho to Peking, the question of military supplies having been particularly provided for when the railway was handed back to the British, as our Tientsin correspondent has already informed us and as may be seen from the terms of the convention which we reprint in another column from Dr. MORRISON's despatch to the Times. At present, the construction of the siding having been stopped, though both British and Russian troops have been withdrawn, the carriage of supplies must therefore be delayed. The matter, however, being in

Count von Walderssee's hands, we may hope for a speedy solution of a very disagreeable incident, and which ever way the dispute is settled the decision must meet with loyal acquiescence. With regard to the Russian claim, no one will deny the bravery of their troops at Tientsin last year and the large share which they took in the preservation of the Settlement while it was cut off from the rest of the world. But that this is an adequate justification for land-grabbing is not a doctrine to be countenanced, though other Powers are disposed to act upon it at Tientsin with less claim than Russia. Further, all the Powers disclaimed any idea of gaining territory as a result of the recent disturbances, a fact which some of them seem inclined to forget.

It looks now as if the railway dispute were likely to be settled with more expedition than is habitual with disputes in China. A more serious situation is threatened over the Manchurian Convention. New York reports indeed are to the effect that China has actually rejected the Convention, and our telegram from Shanghai yesterday confirmed this, for from that it appears that the Reform party at Shanghai had received a despatch from the Grand Council at Hsinifu announcing that the Imperial Court had telegraphed to YANGLU, Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg, forbidding him to sign the Convention on behalf of China. This is indeed much better news than we had any reason to expect. Russia has been pressing for many weeks, with her usual insistence and her customary employment of Chinese verbiage, for the concession of enormous privileges, which not only secured for her Manchuria (under a promise of return which no one considered worth the paper on which it was written), but also, if the North-China Daily News correspondent is right, a vague but extraordinary control over mines, railways, etc., in Mongolia, Kashgar, Yarkand, Khotan, and Chinese-Turkestan. Such privileges, if granted, could only point to the ultimate absorption by Russia of all the outlying dependencies of the Chinese Empire. Yet appeals from China to the other Powers appear (as far as official information goes) only to have met with the advice, not very comforting under the circumstances, to "be firm." It is possible, of course, even probable, that secret influences may have been brought

to bear, which have given the Chinese Government more encouragement to resist the monstrous aggressions threatened by Russia; but Japan alone publicly committed herself to any strong statement, when she told China that special privileges to Russia in Manchuria would involve compensation to Japan elsewhere—obviously somewhere within the Eighteen Provinces, the integrity of which seem to appeal even to the more venal Chinese officials. Though but weakly supported, China yet appears to have risen for once to the occasion. It would be foolish to be sanguine, but if the Manchurian Convention is rejected by China firmly and consistently, there are hopes that further spoliation may cease. It is, however, the duty of all interested in the affairs of China to support the present attitude of her Government. It is useless to talk against the partition of China, while calmly watching the first steps which lead inevitably to that partition.

Major W. R. H. Borsford, 1st Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers, in South Africa, has been selected for the command of the 2nd Battalion of this regiment at Hongkong.

During the week ended the 23rd March the return of cases of communicable disease were: plague, 8 cases (7 in Victoria), 10 deaths; enteric fever, one case (Japanese); small-pox, 7 cases (all Chinese in Victoria), 6 deaths.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

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After their return from Canton, Mr. Conger, U.S. Minister at Peking, and his family made a three days' stay at the Kowloon Hotel and on Monday left for a trip to Macao. Mr. Conger was very cordially received at Canton, the Chinese authorities posting a guard of honour of 120 men at the wharf on the occasion of his landing and departure. Moreover, the party were entertained at a big dinner in the native city on Sunday by a prominent Chinaman, ex-Minister to the United States, while a first-class theatrical company was engaged to entertain them after dinner. Mr. Conger was prevented by ill-health from being present, but his family was accompanied by the U.S. Consul at Canton. The visit to Canton was much enjoyed by all.

Captain E. M. Jackson, Indian Staff Corps, has been appointed Staff Officer at Weihaiwei.

During the 24 hours ended at noon yesterday four fresh cases of plague (Chinese) were reported; and two fresh cases of small-pox, with two deaths (Chinese).

Herr Cordes, the Interpreter to the German Legation at Peking, who during the siege of the Legations was dangerously wounded, has now completely recovered, and has returned to Berlin.

The Japanese Consul at Honolulu has lodged a claim with the Hawaiian Government for damages amounting to one million yen, attendant upon the destruction of Japanese houses in consequence of the sanitary measures against the plague.

Alarming rumours have reached Rangoon of serious unrest on the Burmo-Chinese frontier. The Chinese in some of the frontier towns are stated to be extremely unsettled and truculent. Unless the garrisons are speedily increased and largely reinforced, raids into British territory may take place at any moment.

From July to December last year the Russians took from the Chinese in battle 283 guns. In addition the Chinese inhabitants delivered 99 guns to the Russians either voluntarily or by requisition. Among the 99 guns thus delivered up were five guns taken from the Russians by the Chinese at Albasin 211 years ago.

Captain C. M. A. Wood has resigned the adjutancy of the 2nd Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers, in South Africa, in order to proceed to China, where he rejoins the 1st Battalion Chinese Regiment, which it has been decided to raise immediately to a strength of twelve companies, in view of the early formation of a 2nd Battalion.

The Hongkong correspondent of the *Naval and Military Record*, writing of the conclusion of the *Barfleur* incident at this port, says: "It is hoped that a different method of administering naval discipline (which is at the root of the *Barfleur* scandal) will prevent a repetition of such deplorable conduct as a means of drawing attention to grievances, real or supposed."

The King has been pleased to confer the Decoration of the Royal Red Cross upon Miss Marian Lambert, of the Church of England Mission; Sister Jessie Motyns, B.N.S.M.; Miss Lillie Emma Saville, M.D., London Mission; and Miss Abbie Goodrich Chapin, in recognition of their services at the International Hospital during the siege of the Legations at Peking.

A Devonport telegram last month stated that the Lords of the Admiralty had approved of the whole of the officers, non-commissioned officers and men who comprised the Royal Marine Guard during the siege of the Legations at Peking from June to August last year being allowed to count six months' service, in the case of non-commissioned officers and men towards the completion of limited engagements, good conduct badges, and pensions.

The boat which France is returning to China is being forwarded in the transport *Vinh-long*, now on her way out. The *Vinh-long* is afterwards to serve as a floating hospital for the French expeditionary corps. On her journey the *Vinh-long* on the 18th inst. ran badly aground on a coral reef off Pulo Sambo. The French Consul at Singapore was informed immediately, and he put off at once for the vessel with tags and lighters belonging to the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, and the task of floating her was proceeded with.

The *Japan Advertiser* states that the sugar merchants in Bikan have ordered from Hongkong 140,000 bales of sugar under a contract that the goods arrive in Japan by the end of the current month. Of this 140,000 bales, which are valued at 1,400,000 yen, and of which 80,000 have already arrived, 40,000 bales represent the usual annual amount of import, the remaining 100,000 bales being those ordered in anticipation of the proposed taxation on imported sugar. It is said that the loss to be sustained by Yokohama sugar merchants may exceed three million yen should the sugar tax fail to become law this year.

The sports of the Bengal Lancers were held yesterday afternoon at Causeway Bay, on the Polo Ground, before a large gathering, which included H. E. the Governor (Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G.); H. E. Major-General Cassaigne, C.M.G. (Commanding the Troops); and Sir John Carrington, C.M.G. The band of the 3rd Madras Light Infantry was in attendance, and discoursed pleasing selections throughout the afternoon. The sports included such events as tent-pegging, slicing the orange, trick riding, lance and sword exercise, mounted combats, etc. Particulars of the different events, with the names of winners, will be given to-morrow.

A greater portion of the allied forces was expected to be withdrawn from North China soon after the opening of the Gulf of Pechili, which is usually blockaded with ice during the winter months. The waters are now free to navigation, and a number of French and German transports have already assembled at Taku for the purpose of unloading their respective troops. It is, however, reported that the Powers have decided to abandon the withdrawal of troops, owing to the hitch in the peace negotiations, and also to the Russo-Chinese compact. Under these circumstances, the date of General Walderssee's departure from China has not yet been decided upon, but it is certain, the *Fiji* says, that the General will visit this country before proceeding home.—*Nagasaki Press*.

A lease of a large area in the tin tract of Malayan has been given to a European firm who propose to introduce hydraulic machinery. The Jelabu Mining and Trading Co. fruitlessly tried Malayan.

The old Perak Sikh troop, now forming the Sultan of Perak's body-guard, will go to Singapore to furnish an escort to T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of York, on their approaching visit.

The home papers gave the following details about Mr. Donald Matheson, who died on the 18th ult. at his residence in Queen's Gate Gardens, aged 82. Mr. Matheson was the son of Mr. James Sutherland Matheson, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company. After receiving his education at the Edinburgh High School, Mr. Matheson went out to China as an assistant in the firm, and rose to be a partner, but resigned on the ground of his disapproval of the opium traffic. He was hon. secretary of the Presbyterian Mission in India, and vice-president and treasurer of the Evangelical Alliance. In 1849 Mr. Matheson married Jane, daughter of Lieutenant Horace Pelley, R.N., and his heir is his son, Major Duncan Matheson, of the Inniskilling Dragoons.

In the new China Blue-book just to hand some details will be found in connection with the withdrawal of Mr. M. F. A. Fraser on August 2nd from Chungking, which evoked so much comment and criticism. His leaving Chungking was in pursuance of orders from Lord Salisbury, who wired to Mr. Warren at Shanghai that naval and military authorities at Shanghai would be hampered until Europeans were withdrawn from riverine ports, and directing Mr. Matheson's Consul at Chungking should leave the European community. As Mr. Fraser was much blamed at the time for his action, it is only fair to him to mention these circumstances. In reporting his leaving, he mentions that Mr. William Hyalop, C.I.M., Mr. Brill, of Chicago, and Mr. Nicholson, of A. J. Little's, "refused to go in spite of all remonstrances, and chose to stay behind and affront danger with the view of helping those expelled from the interior during the next few weeks." He says "the names of these gallant men deserve to be recorded."

Admiral Sir George Ommanney Willes died on 18th inst. at his residence in Cadogan Square, at the age of seventy-eight. The deceased officer joined the Navy in 1836, and saw service in the Crimean War, receiving the Crimea and Turkish medals and Sebastopol clasp, made a Knight of the Legion of Honour, and the Fifth Class Medjidie. On 24th June, 1859, as a captain he was in charge of the party employed in cutting the boom across the mouth of the Peiho River (China media), and he was in command of the rocket-boats at the attack on the Peiho Forts in August of the following year (Taku clasp). Subsequently the late officer was employed in carrying out the preliminary investigation of creeks, &c., before the operations against the Taisings near Shanghai. He was made a Companion of the Bath in 1881, and was private secretary to Mr. Childers while First Lord of the Admiralty. As Vice-Admiral he was Commander-in-Chief on the China Station from 1881 to 1884, in which latter year he was made a Knight Commander of the Bath. After being Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth from November, 1885, to June, 1888, he retired. He received the Grand Cross of the Bath in 1892.

On the 22nd inst. Gen. Sir Redvers Buller published in the Aldershot district orders the following communication from the War Office:—"I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to request that, pending further consideration of the subject dealt with in your memorandum dated 6th inst., you will be good enough to cancel that portion which relates to artillery in the memorandum in question." The memorandum referred to contained the General's "observations on points in which South African experience seemed to show our system of training might be improved," and the portion now cancelled was as follows:—"The artillery drill seemed excellent, and the main object of drill—perfect steadiness under fire—was fully attained; but too much of the drill was brought into the field. Instances occurred in which the action of batteries was paralysed by waiting for orders from their brigade division commander, and similarly the action of guns while waiting for orders from their battery commander. Once the principle of drill are thoroughly grasped every effort in field instruction should be devoted to developing the intelligence of and giving practice in initiative to subordinate commanders. The phases of an action change so quickly, and the important targets are so often presented for so short a time, that unless commanders of single guns are allowed and encouraged to act on their own initiative very favourable opportunities will often be missed. Initiative must be encouraged, but effective supervision must be maintained. This result can only be obtained by careful individual training."

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The H. A. L. steamer *Marbury* left Kobe for this port on the 25th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

The H. A. L. steamer *Savonia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 26th inst.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 7th inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port this morning.

The P. M. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 23rd inst.

The Ben Line steamer *Benledi* left Singapore on the 26th inst. for this port.

## TELEGRAMS.

## "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

## THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

LONDON, 25th March, 7.30 p.m.

## WALDERSEE TO ARBITRATE AT TIENTSIN.

It is reported that Russia and Great Britain have agreed to accept the arbitration of Count von Walderssee in the matter of the dispute as to the railway at Tientsin.

## GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 25th March, 7.30 p.m.

## THE PRICE OF THE CAGAYAN ISLANDS.

Mr. Hay, on behalf of the United States Government, has paid Spain one hundred thousand dollars (gold), the sum due to her for the purchase by the States of the Cagayan Islands.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 24th March.

## THE MANCHURIA CONVENTION.

It is announced in New York that China has rejected the Manchurian Convention. The Times correspondent at St. Petersburg states that when Lord Lansdowne asked Russia for a copy of the actual draft of the Manchurian Convention, Count Lamsdorf angrily refused, saying he had already offered full and sufficient explanation to the British Ambassador, Sir Chas. Scott.

LONDON, 24th March.

## THE TROUBLES IN RUSSIA.

Nearly all the Ministers in Russia have received threatening letters, and a special Council meeting, under the presidency of the Tsar, has been held to consider the position. The social situation is considered critical.

## SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, 25th March.

AN OUTRAGE VERY DEARLY PAID FOR. During the late troubles in the village of Shao An, which I communicated to you at the time, one of the native Christians had his eyes pierced out by the mob. As the sufferer of this outrage belongs to the Roman Catholic Mission, the latter instituted a separate claim to the then officiating Shao Ah Shen. It so happened that, after a short lapse of time, another official replaced the acting Shao Ah Shen, and the former was approached about settling the claim. The new official proceeded and arrested a few of the suspects, but he had very soon to release them, as the whole clan to which the prisoners belonged set on him and his followers. Seeing that this official was powerless in bringing their demand to a satisfactory end, the Mission appealed to the Foochow Viceroy, who despatched one regiment of Fokienese troops, under the command of a prefect, to bring the guilty parties to book and to arrive at a definite settlement. After the usual preliminary proceedings the case was "very satisfactorily" settled. Two houses belonging to the suspected gang were burnt down, two of the villagers who were supposed to have taken part in the disturbances were severely punished, and the Shao Ah Shen in office at present had to pay \$18,000 to the Mission, which sum, however, is to be repaid to him by the non-Christian inhabitants of Shao An.

## S.M.S. "SEADLER"

left for Amoy, after having stayed in this port for about three months. During the time they were here, the Commander and the officers made themselves liked by everybody. The band of the *Seadler* played every evening, to the great appreciation of the whole community, and much regret is felt at its absence from our midst. Before leaving the port, athletic sports were arranged for the crew of the *Seadler*, and some very smart feats were performed by them. The sports included a tug-of-war, Swatow v. the *Seadler*, in which the latter were conquerors. Unfortunately one accident occurred to one of the crew of the *Seadler*, who, whilst climbing up the greasy pole, slipped and fell to the ground from a height of about 15 feet, whereby he dislocated his arm. Medical assistance was immediately rendered, and I am informed that the sufferer is getting on well. Miss Streich, wife of the German Consul, distributed the different prizes, powder articles, to the winners of the various events.

## H.I.M.S. "TAKAO"

arrived here from Hongkong on Thursday last and left the next day for Amoy.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## "THE GAY PARISIENNE"

Of the light musical plays included in the Dallas Company's repertoire, we question if there is one that has or will secure the measure of success *The Gay Parisienne* has achieved on our local boards for the past two nights. It has attained in Hongkong what it received in London after a lengthened provincial tour—the highest pitch of popular enthusiasm and approval. Compared with the musical comedy of the day, as seen through the Dallas mirror, *The Gay Parisienne* is downright farce, replete with catchy music, a plentiful supply of song and dance, bright costumes, pretty scenery, and the unfailing verve that is born of success. The general idea upon which the author, Mr. J. Danice, has based his play, is that of a middle-class British householder, having fallen a victim to the wiles of a demi-mondaine, and been cast in heavy damages for breach of promise, seeks to evade his legal obligations by going abroad in disguise as a Scotch tourist, with the result that everybody in the second act turns up at a German spa, the fair and witty plaintiff included, and then the Act becomes fast and furious. It is a deeply interesting little story, and, with all its accessories, witnesses itself round the audience, without tempting the eager listeners to think or study in any way. As the intelligence is thus suspended, the house is wholly captivated, and the eye and ear have plenty to do. There is not a dull moment for nearly three hours—from the rise of the curtain to the fall is a gradual deepening of mirth, until at the close the exuberance of appreciation is absolutely unbounded.

In the performance of musical plays like the one under notice, there is more skill in the dramatic handling, and more power and versatility necessary in the acting, than at first appear on the surface. The attention of the house has to be gained and securely riveted by dint of facial expression, gesture, movement, and other kinds of graphic play, and in these respects the whole cast must contribute. There are no ostentatious mannerisms, and the too often apparent asperities of accent; all have to be smoothed down to give a decided French flavor to the performance, and last, but not least, there must be that *sauvegarde* in mode and *fortiori* to go with each member of the cast so as to brighten the piece and render it both natural and realistic. In all this detail the Dallas Company shone in the production of *The Gay Parisienne*, and the general effect of their efforts was heightened by the exquisitely pretty costumes and the tastefully laid-out scenery surrounding the stage. Honeycomb's Lawn at Kingston-on-Thames, a view of which is given for the first time, although somewhat cramped for want of space, is nevertheless a capital painted picture, and reflects considerable credit upon Mr. W. H. Falford, the scenic artist. In no manner has he allowed his brush to be extravagant. In the background he gives a really clever painting of a brick wall upon and over the side of which ivy and other evergreen climber, and a thorny encircling the sides, while in the centre a green gate leads to an outer path and an adjacent brook. On the right of the stage is the side door of Honeycomb's residence, and on the left are the rustic seats which complete the picture.

Of course, as may be expected, Mr. Henry Dallas, at Mr. Falford's Honeycomb, a shining light in himself, is the hit of the evening, and in taking that laurel we are afraid that he must share a piece of it with a large portion—with Miss Beryl Maylay, the servant Kath. As a slave of the "Lep-lap" she was life itself, and from the moment she rattled out of the house and playfully slipped about the lawn, till she gave a vivid revelation of a death scene as a *foi de se*, she never lost the admiration of the house, who simply allowed their enthusiasm to express upon her. But when she gave the song entitled "Bitter Mary Jane's" to the "singing" herself, and was recalled again and again. In the leading role Miss May Norton fairly outshone all her previous efforts, and we doubt if a better selection could possibly have been made either in the original production at home or in any other for that matter. Three was a real and true wonderful vivacity imparted to the part and that too without touching the tender sensibilities of the most fastidious. That she was a "Gey" admitted of no doubt; it was that quality observable in the French character. Miss Norton was a natural and winsome manner about her, so that she seemed her role with a singular ease. Her comical air drove her along with her little caprices and attractions she had with her and another as the evening wore on, and her witty sayings and apt responses kept the audience in an incessant ripple of laughter. Her vocal efforts were not altogether so good as we have noticed these in previous plays, but that no doubt must have been brought about by a slight indisposition. However, she sustained her part remarkably well, and she fully deserved the warm ovation she received from her hearers. In Major Fosdyke, of the "Battersea Battery Shooters," Mr. D. Munro certainly displayed his histrionic abilities to the highest advantage. Barely have we seen him in a role which fitted him so closely, and in which his many years experience of the boards was made apparent. Mr. Hugh Metcalf, now completely recovered from his recent bronchial trouble, with re-associated energy took the part of the barrister, and pleaded the plaintiff's case. It was then that his deep voice fell full bent, and where his eloquent ability was seen to its highest. In the duet with Mr. Henry Honeycomb (Miss Evelyn de Worms), "Somebody's own," he received the rapturous plaudits of the audience, and was twice recalled. Mrs. Henry Dallas, as Mrs. Honeycomb, sustained her already assured reputation, and gave her audience an insight into English home life, both in the hour of prosperity, and when dark clouds have enshrouded it. Her



detestation of things modern, notably in the "bloomer" costume of the day, and her maternal connexions to the world, "listen but never heed" them, were highly appreciated, and she well merited the warm reception she received. Mr. J. B. Ferrell, an Amos Dingle, caused considerable merriment by his "glorious mix up" with the redoubtable Ebeneser, and in his quaint recital of the "Cock-a-doodle-do" sung by a quartet of the Honeycomb family, including The Gay Parisienne.

In the second act we got a view of The Spa Hotel, Schaffenburg, and here again the scenic artist has exhibited another admirable painting. Nothing could be more realistic than the pump from which Hans (Mr. Harold Godwin), the proprietor of the hotel, draws his mineral water from the "bowels of the earth." In this act, Miss Capel introduced her favourite "dance of nations." Beyond one or two defects, caused in no small degree by the unskillful switching of the electric light, the performance was a highly commendable one, and the audience were not slow to appreciate it. She was the recipient of two or three floral offerings, as well as the appreciative applause of the house, all of which she fairly won by her exertions. Miss Hattie Peel sang "Songs of the sea," which became another feature of the entertainment. This artist has not only a voice of exquisite quality, but she knows how to use it both in regard to beauty of tone and realization of the poetic meaning of what she sings. She threw considerable pathos into her enunciation, and called forth an outburst of patriotic fervour, seldom witnessed at similar gatherings. The whole house rang with her in the refrain, and she was recalled again and again. It was a triumphant success, and not until she was fairly outdone would the audience cease their deafening applause and shouts of recall. On the whole The Gay Parisienne has been a brilliant success, and it is a pity that to-night will witness its last performance on our local boards. To-morrow the popular Gaiety, in which the Dallas Company has often distinguished itself, is to be staged.

## SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 26th March.

## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SHERIDAN SMITH (SIR JOHN ELLIOTT, C.J.).

THE ARMED ROBBERY AT KOWLOON CITY. The Luk, Ko Wing, Sang and Lat Yau were charged with being concerned in an armed robbery at Kowloon City, on the 23rd February. There were three counts in the indictment, viz: (1) larceny in a dwelling-house with menaces; (2) receiving stolen goods; (3) robbery being armed.

The prisoners pleaded not guilty. The following composed the jury: Messrs. Hugo Albrecht, V. A. de Paulo, J. A. Wainwright, A. H. V. de Souza, J. A. Tarrant, and J. M. de Rosario. Mr. E. H. Sharp, at the request of the Attorney-General, acted as the prosecutor. He called the scene of the robbery was a grocery shop in Kowloon City called the Yee Sing. The accountant and staff appeared to live on the premises, but the master did not do so regularly. On the 23rd February, about six o'clock in the evening, the master left the shop, leaving the accountant and three or four boys behind. At about five past seven, when it was quite dark, a gang of seven men entered the shop, and having shot the door they seized the accountant and the boys, by the necks, bound them together, and took them to the back part of the shop. Two of the gang, who were identified as the first and third prisoners, stood over them with revolvers, threatening to shoot them if they made a noise, while the others cleared out the shop. They took \$150, which was in 10 and 20 cent pieces, from a pillow box, and having taken the key to the safe from the accountant they took from the safe \$2,350. Of this sum \$250 was in notes, \$250 in single silver dollars, and the rest in 10 and 20 cent pieces. The reason why there was so much money in the safe was that it being about Chinese New Year time the master had been going home for a shop near Canton, in which he was interested, called the Yik Cheung. As the men were leaving the shop, the master caught sight of them as he was returning. He instantly gave the alarm. He sent a neighbour to the Police Station, and on going into the shop found his accountant and boys had been bound but had relieved themselves. About two hours later the first and third prisoners were arrested not very far away from the Kowloon Road. A certain amount of money was found upon him also. On the same day the three men were placed in a row with others at the Central Police Station, and identified by several witnesses as being members of the gang who committed the robbery. The jury unanimously found the prisoners guilty on the first and third counts, the second being withdrawn. His Lordship sentenced each to seven years with hard labour and 20 strokes with the birch.

## IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR JOHN CARRINGTON, C.M.G. (CHIEF JUSTICE).

H. PRYOR AND CO. V. LUM SIK SANG. His Lordship heard counsel on the points of law in the original suit by H. Pryor and Co. v. Lum Sik Sang, Queen's Bench Central, against Lum Sik Sang, respondent at Maipo, the landlord of the premises occupied by the plaintiffs. It will be remembered that a special jury returned a verdict in the facts of the case in favour of the plaintiff. Mr. H. E. Collock, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Macfarlane) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. J. J. Francis, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Monney and Brutton) for the defendant.

3,007 NEWSPAPERS RECOMMENDED. THE WALKERMAN PAPER, for the day of the Flying Vulture, 200 words per day. 1900-1. WALKERMAN PAPER, 200 words per day.

## HONGKONG DOCKYARD.

Surprise has been created in Dockyard circles at home, says the Naval and Military Record, by the Admiralty's application for candidates to fill nine appointments as chargemen of shipwrights, one as chargeman of joiners, and one as chargeman of blacksmiths, at Hongkong Dockyard. For the past two years the Admiralty have been quietly strengthening the staff there, and it was only recently that authority was given to increase the Metropolitan police at Hongkong from 45 to 67, whilst the staff of officials at the yard has been increased during the past few months from 41 to 52. The dockyard, with one or two exceptions, natives, and it is largely in consequence of complaints of a want of sufficient supervision that the large staff of extra chargemen is to be sent out. It is not generally known that the Admiralty have arranged for considerably extending the naval hospital accommodation at Hongkong. For this purpose a piece of land adjoining the present hospital has been purchased at a cost of £1,300, and on this is to be erected a magnificent building, which is estimated to cost nearly £25,000. This extension is not taken in land before it is needed, for when the China squadron was less than half its present strength it was found necessary, for want of accommodation at the naval establishment, to send patients to various private hospitals on the station. Addition is to be made to the storage of ammunition is to be provided at Hongkong at a cost of £2,750, whilst the torpedo depot at Kowloon, on the opposite side of the harbour, is to be extended at a cost of £2,000.

## HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

The ordinary meeting of shareholders in the above company was held yesterday at noon. Mr. W. R. Smith, President, and there were also present Messrs. E. Osborne, R. C. Wilcox (Directors), G. Moore (Secretary), V. H. Gas (Director), G. C. Anderson, G. Murray, L. F. D. Goldard, W. A. Cruickshank, H. C. Wilcox, J. E. Gomes, Ho Kom Tong and Lo Chung Shin.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting. The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen: As the report and accounts have been for some days in your hands I will, with your permission, take you through them as read. It is proposed to pay away \$300,000 in dividend, which is a very large portion of the sum at credit of the profit and loss account, viz., \$83,698.29. I think it right to say that in proposing such a large dividend of profits the Directors have been influenced by the action at the last shareholders' meeting of a number of proprietors holding a majority of shares, who required the payment of a dividend in excess of that recommended by the Directors. Recently also certain influential shareholders have intimated to members of the Board that they would require nothing less than a 10 per cent dividend for the half-year. If any shareholder should be of opinion that the holder's payment of \$300,000 in dividend in proposed beyond the bounds of business-like action, the Directors will be pleased to hear him state his reasons for his belief. It is shown in the report and accounts that a profit of very nearly \$12,000 was made during the half-year on the sale of a small piece of the Yee Sing plantation measuring 681 square feet. This land was cut off from the principal portion of the Reclamation owned by the Hotel Company by the Charter House, the Company's business, and the opportunity was taken of selling it at a handsome profit. A change has been made in the form of the account of furniture and fixtures. Formerly this account included such articles as linen, crockery, glass-ware, cutlery, carpets, etc., and to provide for their issue to the various departments of the Hotel certain sums were written off each half-year from the furniture and fixtures account. In order to avoid the heavy wear and off a sufficient sum to cover the articles I have just mentioned, the Directors transferred them on 1st July last, as the accounts show, to a separate account of their own, and have since then credited that account and debited the Hotel working account direct with the actual cost of each issue. The present furniture and fixtures account includes heavy items of household furniture and machinery not mentioned by me in the foregoing paragraph. I am pleased to say that we are doing a very good business in all departments at the present time. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions which any shareholder present may wish to put, which any shareholder present may wish to put.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. G. MURRAY BAIN—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I have much pleasure, after the remarks you have made, in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. E. Osborne was re-elected a director, on the motion of Captain GODDARD. Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and W. H. Gaskell were re-elected, on the motion of Mr. CHAIRMAN. The CHAIRMAN—Thank you, gentlemen, for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow. That is all the business of the meeting.

Captain GODDARD—I think we should propose a vote of thanks to the Directors and the general manager for the very successful working of the past half-year and the substantial dividend we have received.

Mr. CHAIRMAN—I have much pleasure in seconding.

The motion was carried unanimously. The CHAIRMAN—Thank you, Capt. Goddard and Mr. Cruickshank and gentlemen for your kind vote of thanks. It will be much appreciated.

## EXPORT CARGOS.

Per steamer Toulon, sailed on the 11th. Mar. For Marseilles—243 bales raw silk, 5 cases silk, 50 cases tea, 17 cases curries, 250 cases tinned meat, 1 case camellia trunk. For Lyons—417 bales raw silk.

Per steamer China, sailed on the 12th March. For San Francisco—100 pkgs. tea, 11 cases silk. For New York—5 bales raw silk.

Per steamer Patroclus, sailed on the 16th March. For Liverpool—650 bales hemp, 20 bales tea, 3 cases blackwoodware, 3 cases furniture, 10 pkgs. sundries. For New York—22 cases M. O. P. shell.

Most people are perplexed, when leaving home for the holidays, as to what to do with their plants. The following simple plan is far better than standing them in saucers of water. Bait the plants on the table about two inches by means of small pieces of wood. Get a small piece of flannel or cotton wick, as used for lamps and about 4 to 6 inches long. Push one half of this into the ball of the soil through the drainage hole, and insert the other half in a basin of water. Capillary attraction will cause the water to keep the soil sufficiently moist for ordinary room plants for some time.—The Gardener.

## POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 26th March.

BY MR. MR. HARELAND.

## THE VITRIOL OUTRAGE.

Lo Tsoi, coolie, was brought up on remand from the 20th inst. and charged with maliciously throwing vitriol upon Francis George Reek, the complainant, on the 14th inst. He had already pleaded guilty.

Captain Superintendent May resumed the case for the prosecution.

Francis George Reek, residing at 22, Morrison Hill Road, was called. He looked exceedingly ill, and had his head bound up. Mr. Reek said, in answer to Captain May, that he was leading man of station at the Naval Yard, where he commenced his duties at seven every morning. On the 14th inst., at about twenty minutes to seven, he was walking along the Praya, and when opposite the French convent he saw some Chinese sitting on the parapet. He paid no attention to them, and was walking on, when there came a sudden flash, accompanied by a severe burning sensation. He shouted out, and his handkerchief to wipe his face. Just as he opened his eyes he saw a European, who had just jumped out of a rickshaw, which was standing near by. This man asked the complainant if he was hurt, and the complainant replied that he had been burnt. Previous to this the complainant believed that Mr. Phsey—the European in question—ran after the man who had thrown the vitriol, but could not catch him. Mr. Reek, in answer to a question, said he had been severely injured, and was still suffering from the effects of the vitriol. The large brown spots thereon were caused by the vitriol.

Mr. T. J. Wild, Acting Government Analyst, called and sworn, said he received exhibits A, B, C, and D on the 16th inst. from Inspector Cuthbert. He examined the exhibits, and found that the stains were produced by nitric acid. He received at the same time some Chinese clothing, and this was also marked with nitric acid stains. Nitric acid was a noxious and dangerous fluid.

Mr. Tuck, surgeon, R.N., said Mr. Reek came to the Naval Hospital at about seven o'clock on the morning of the 14th inst. He was severely burnt on the right arm, across the forehead, and down each side of the face; the eyes, however, were practically untouched. The burns were caused by some corrosive acid; sulphuric acid would have had the same effect. Witness dressed the wounds and told Mr. Reek to report himself to Dr. Canton at the Dockyard.

Dr. Canton, R.N., who attended the complainant after he had passed through Mr. Tuck's hands, gave similar evidence, but did not regard the injuries as serious.

Inspector Cuthbert stated that at about seven o'clock in the afternoon of the 14th inst., exhibits A, B, C, and D were handed to him by Mr. Reek. The presence of the complainant. At eight o'clock the same night, in the police station, he saw the defendant dressed himself of exhibits E, F, and G, which, together with the other exhibits, were handed to Mr. Wild on the 16th inst. in the forenoon.

The sergeant interpreter at the Central Police Station gave evidence to reading over and explaining the charges to the defendant, and administering the usual caution. Defendant made and signed a statement, which was taken down word for word.

The further hearing was adjourned till the 28th inst.

## BEFORE MR. KEMP.

## MONEY-MANAGING.

An opium divan keeper was going on Monday to the Opium Farm to purchase some of the drug. He carried \$25.50, but dropped the money through a hole in his pocket. Two carpenters were passing at the moment, and one of them stooped and picked up some coins, which he handed to his friend, who made off. The divan keeper held on to the first man, and found, on collecting what remained of his cash, that eight silver dollars were gone. He gave his prisoner into custody, and the latter gave information that led to the arrest of the second man.

Each was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

## THE NORTH CHINA RAILWAY.

Dr. Morrison on the 21st ult. telegraphed the text of the convention under which the British assumed control of the North China Railway. The following are the precise terms:

The German army headquarters are to hand over to the British military authorities the whole line from Shanhaikwan to Peking, together with appurtenances, means of traffic, workshop fittings, and materials, which were handed over by the headquarters of the Russian military authorities and have been laid down, procured, or built by the German and Japanese railway troops.

The stores acquired by the latter for construction and traffic purposes are to be taken over by the British at cost price.

All telegraph, telephone, and railway material belonging to the German, Russian, and Japanese railway troops is to be handed over to the owners not later than 1st April.

The British are to take over to the line with the express declaration that the military necessities of the allied nations without exception are to be met as far as the capacity of the line permits.

In the event of the British military authorities handing over the railway to a civil administration, the latter is to be placed under British military control and supervision while the military occupation of China lasts; the military directorate to consist of a director and two deputy directors, the former to be a British officer and the latter to be appointed, one by the Germans and the other by the Japanese.

The directors are to have the full responsibility of the traffic administration, and the railway directors are to be charged with the supervision of all military affairs.

It is provided that, should either of the deputies not succeed in obtaining the adoption or abolition of measures which appear to be of military importance, then at his request the director and the other deputy director shall be reserved for decision by the German army headquarters in the British forces.

The directors shall only give decisions regarding financial liabilities between the railway administration and the various contingents on the basis of a majority of votes in the directorate.

The incidence of the cost to the various contingents of repairing and maintaining traffic upon the line shall be reserved for diplomatic settlement.

For the purpose of facilitating communication between the various contingents, as the railway administration, the former are to have the right to appoint and post officers at the stations of special importance, and these officers shall be allowed to correspond direct with the directorate on railway matters.

In case special circumstances, such as the withdrawal of troops at the conclusion of peace, should cause great demands on the railway, the regulation of the administration is not to be left to the railway administration, but the decision is to rest with the German army headquarters.

PUNJOM MINING CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the fourth ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the Company, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 6th April, at noon.

The directors have now to submit the statement of accounts and report of the working of the Company for the year ended 31st December, 1900.

The work of constructing the new dam is steadily progressing and it is expected that water will be available therefrom by June next. The dam would have been completed before this had not the submergence been partially washed away by a heavy flood in December last.

The machinery and plant at the mines have been overhauled and put in repair, new mortar boxes provided, and the best logs removed. The two shafts which have been sunk by Mr. Hughes, one at South Hill to a depth of 100 feet, and the other at Mill Gully to a depth of 130 feet, are shortly to be opened out.

Prospecting has been carried on as extensively as possible with the staff at our disposal, and a rich specimen of stone has been brought in from Swah showing gold at all points, and every effort is now being made to find the reef.

It is believed that this part of the Company's concession will open up well in the near future. The new manager, Mr. Thomas Lester, has arrived at the mines, and after a tour of inspection, advises that more miners be engaged for the purpose of prospecting; and as this advice accords with the views of the directors, they have wired to the Agents of the Company to charter two more miners immediately.

Inasmuch as during the past year, in the absence of water power, little crushing of ore has been done, consequently the returns from workings of gold have been small, while the cost of the new dam, repairs to machinery, wages, etc., have had to be paid; and, as more funds will be required for the contemplated developments, your directors advised an increase of capital, and they are pleased to say, we are agreed to with the new manager and increased capital, the result will be satisfactory to all concerned.

Mr. R. C. Wilcox accepted an invitation to join the Board of Directors, and Mr. J. H. Lewis has resigned his seat on the Board, owing to his departure for Europe.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Messrs. D. Gillies, Thomas Howard, and W. Kerfoot Hughes retire from the Board, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. Fullerton Henderson, and the Board recommends him for re-election.

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, Chairman.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1901.

## BALANCE SHEET.

21st December, 1900.

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.

Authorized capital—

64,000 ordinary shares at \$1 30,000.00

30,000 preference shares at \$1 30,000.00

510,000.00

Paid-up capital—

53,945 ordinary shares at \$1 26,972.50

5,558 ordinary shares at \$7 38,906.00

147 ordinary shares at \$5 735.00

356 ordinary shares (unpaid) 1,780.00

59,993.50

30,000 preference shares at \$1 30,000.00

501,200.00

Accounts payable 3,445.80

Deposits by employees 1,333.67

Paid-up capital 115.22

Mines, suspense account 88.46

Unclaimed dividends 1,437.77

\$57,619.92

## PROPERTY AND ASSETS.

157,964.39

Machinery, plant, and equipment 57,182.04

Development of concession 12,220.27

Cyanide plant 2,118.26

Development of concession 10,000.00

Mail shaft 3,000.00

Mail and Kiang Shan 15,744.01

Buildings 69.32

Roads and bridges 857.72

Barrel carts and live stock 1,915.35

Furniture and other effects 15,907.05

Stores on hand 2,354.82

Firewood and timber on hand 167.83

Cash at mines 16,410.49

Merchandise on hand and in transit 19,473.81

New dam 1,702.35

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Singapore 1,119.76

Accounts receivable 21,024.48

Advances to employees 467.43

Cash on hand and at bankers 455.94

Head office furniture 145,333.63

Balance of working account \$57,619.92

## WORKING ACCOUNT.

To 31st December, 1900.

Dr.

To balance from last account 72,363.54

To operations at mine 39,754.96

To maintenance of blacksmith's shop 283.34

To royalties on gold 5,152.28

To prospecting 1,775.73

To Hongkong office expenses 15,801.24

To general expenses at mine 3,085.68

To concentrates 2,500.00

To salaries, wages and head office charges 5,340.61

To insurance 761.26

To exchange account 231.05

To transport account 2,400.00

To agency fees 2,630.40

To directors' and auditors' fees 517,496.82

By proceeds of gold 5,399.56

By concentrates produced 5,432.42

By interest 1,775.73

By transfer fees 87.29

By mine revenue 455.94

By fines 119.06

By balance 145,333.63

\$157,466.82

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA CABLE.

## THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 10th March. TROOPS THANKED FOR REPELLING DE WET. General Bruce Hamilton has issued an Order thanking the troops for repelling De Wet, and urging them to fresh exertions before the enemy recovers.

SEVEN FULL COMPANIES OF YEOMANRY SAILED IN THE BRITON FOR THE CAPE YESTERDAY, and by the end of the week 12,000 will have sailed. Our losses at Lichtenberg were 16 killed and 26 wounded.

A MYSTERIOUS OPERATION. General de Lisle, with three columns, moved towards the Comandagga mountains, but Kritzinger turned sharply to the north-east during the night, abandoning his supposed intention of seeking shelter in the Comandagga mountains.

THE CAPE TOWN PLAGUE. Six cases of Plague and two deaths occurred at Cape Town yesterday. Colonel Goring's left was engaged at Sandown on the 9th inst. with the rearguard of the Boer invaders of the Cape Colony. The enemy fled when two 15-pounders opened fire.

## GENERAL NEWS.

THE MANCHURIAN RAILWAY. London, 9th March. It is expected that the whole of the Manchurian Railway will be open for traffic at the end of May.

THE FRENCH IN CHINA. London, 10th March. The French have notified to Count von Waldersee that they will not participate in any further expeditions into the country unless compelled to do so.

RUSSIAN THREATS. London, 10th March. It is stated at Peking that the Russian Minister has threatened China with coercive measures unless she signs the Manchurian Agreement within the stipulated time.

THE ROYAL TOUR. London, 10th March. The King has empowered the Duke of Cornwall to hold a Privy Council in Australia for the purpose of swearing-in Members.

THE DISTURBANCES IN SPAIN. London, 10th March. Constitutional guarantees have been restored throughout Spain.

PLAGUE AT PORT LOUIS. London, 10th March. Six cases of Plague and five deaths took place at Mauritius during the past week.

## TRADE MARK.



## CLARETS.

Imported direct from the Growers, we are able to give exceptional value.

1 doz. 2 doz. 4 doz.

Bottles. 1 Bottle. 1 Bottle. 1 Bottle.

VIN ORDINAIRE ... \$4.00 \$4.50 \$7.50

MEDOC ... 4.50 5.00 8.00

St. EMILION ... 5.50 6.00 9.00

MARCAUX ... 6.00 6.50 9.50

St. JULIEN ... 6.50 7.50 10.50

St. ESTEPHE ... 8.00 9.00 12.00

St. LEUVILLE ... 11.00 12.00 15.00

Ch. LAPOSTOLLE ... 11.00 12.00 15.00

CALIFORNIA ... 4.50 5.00 8.00

ZINFANDEL ... 5.00 5.50 8.50

An allowance of SEVENTY-FIVE Cents per dozen is made for quarter bottles when returned to our godown. Special rates for Hogsheads.

## BORDEAUX BOTTLED.

1 doz. Bottles.

Ch. D'ARLAC ... \$15.00

MARCAUX ... 15.00

Ch. FORTET CANET ... 24.00



## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

**FROM** and after this date I, hitherto known as **SORABJEE RUSTOMJEE**, will use my family name of **BISNEY**, and be known as **SORAB BISNEY**.

S. BISNEY.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [87]

**SITUATION WANTED.**

BY a YOUNG MAN with experience in Shipping, Insurance and General Office Work. Typewriting a speciality. Apply to—

"ENERGETIC."  
Care of Office of this Paper.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [879]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 52, E.C.

**A REGULAR MEETING OF ZETLAND LODGE** will be held at the Freemasons' Hall on MONDAY, the 1st April, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [875]

## TO LET.

**HOUSE** at MOUNT KELLET SPUR, now in occupation of H. MATHERSON Brown, Esq.

Apply to—

LINSTEAD & DAVIS.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [876]

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS** in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of April, at 12 o'clock (NOON), to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1900, and the Report of the Manager and Consulting Committee, and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th March to the 13th April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEBLEY, Manager.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [874]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

**THE** Under-signed have received instructions from TROS. YULE, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction,

## on SATURDAY,

the 30th March, at 2.30 P.M. at their Sales Room, 111, Queen's Street.

**THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE**, comprising—

BRASS LACQUERED BEDSTEAD and MATTRESS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, TEAKWOOD WARD-ROBE with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE TOP BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, ICE CHEST, TEAKWOOD DINNER WAGON, and SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, MOROCCO LEATHER COVERED CHAIRS, DINING ROOM CHAIRS, GLASS WARE, DINNER SERVICE, CARPETS, RUGS, PICTURES, &c., &c.

Also,

One SEMI-GRAND PIANO, by John Broadwood & Sons, and 4 SECOND-HAND PIANOS.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [889]

**FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.**

**THE Steamship "KONIGSBERG,"** Captain Christiansen, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 4 P.M.

The steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1901. [873]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.**

**THE Company's Steamship "HATTAN,"** Captain Ranch, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 28th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFAIR & CO., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1901. [871]

**NOADDEUTSCHER-LOYD ORIENTAL LINE.**

**FOR SINGAPORE.**

**THE Company's Steamship "CHOWTAI,"** will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 28th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [881]

**FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.**

**THE N.G.L. Steamship "KONIGSBERG,"** Captain Christiansen, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Under-signed and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, the 26th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st prox. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st prox. at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1901. [872]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

**THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.**

**FOR FOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.**

**THE Company's Steamship "ANPING MARU,"** Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 11th April, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [19]

**"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.**

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

**S. S. "AFRIDI,"** FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON TO-MORROW.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st April will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 1st April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th March, 1901. [878]

**BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE.**

**WHEREAS** the following UN-ISSUED NOTES have been STOLEN from the Promises of the BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE and which said Notes are expressed on the face thereof to be payable at the Branch Office of the said Banque in Saigon, the numbers of which said Notes are as follows:—

Series V 49 1 to 1,000 of 81 (One dollar) each

Series Z 49 1 to 1,000 of 81 (One dollar) each

The Public are hereby CAUTIONED against purchasing or dealing in any way with such Notes, as the Banque De L'Indo Chine accept no liability for the same.

By Order of the Chief Manager in Saigon.

L. BERNINAGUE, Acting Manager.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1901. [601]

**FOR SALE.**

**SADDLE, by SOWTER, with BRIDLE, SNUBNAH, BLANKET, HALTER, &c.**

Lot 840 0/6.

Apply to—

C. Z., Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1901. [817]

**A. ON & CO.,**

**PHOTOGRAPHERS AND PORTRAIT PAINTERS.**

All kinds of Oil Paintings and Photographic Engravings.

39A, TOP FLOOR, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite to Chas. J. Gump & Co.  
Hongkong, 20th March, 1901. [797]

**COLD STORAGE.**

**THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED** is now prepared to receive perishable provisions for Cold Storage at EAST POINT at Moderate Rates.

**WM. PARLANE, Manager.**

Hongkong, 17th February, 1899. [65]

**TWO** thoroughly-experienced, Certificated, College-trained TEACHERS, lately from England, are open to take PRIVATE PUPILS.

For Terms, &c., apply to—

ALAN O. BRAUN, FREDERICK G. WHITTICK, The Diocesan School, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [847]

**NOTICE.**

**THE OFFICES** of the Under-signed will be REMOVED to the P. & O. Buildings, Des Vaux Road CENTRAL, on the 1st April.

**GODDARD & DOUGLAS.**

Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [845]

**FOR SALE.**

**RURAL BUILDING LOT 103, BARKER ROAD.**

Apply to—

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LIMITED.  
Hongkong, 31st January, 1901.

**NOTICES OF FIRMS.**

**NOTICE.**

**DURING** the absence of our Mr. E. W. MITCHELL from the Colony, Mr. EDMUND GUMPERT will take CHARGE of this Branch of our Firm.

CALDBECK, MACLEOD & CO.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [846]

**NOTICE.**

**THE INTEREST** and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. PAUL JORDAN in the Firm of JORDAN & JOSEPH CHARGED on the 9th February last. The Business of this Firm will henceforth be carried on by the undersigned under the Style or Name of JOSEPH & CO.

E. H. JOSEPH.  
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1901. [818]

**NOTICE.**

**THE HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.** Hamburg, will ESTABLISH their own OFFICE at Hongkong, Queen's Building, on the 1st April.

The undersigned have been appointed local managers.

**HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.** Hongkong Office, K. OLDORP, W. von JANSON, Managers.  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1901. [748]

## ENTERTAINMENT

**THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.**

**Mr. HENRY DALLAS' COMIC OPERA SEASON.**

**TO-NIGHT! LAST NIGHT OF THE ENORMOUSLY SUCCESSFUL MUSICAL PIECE.**

**THE GAY PARISIENNE.**

**TO-MORROW! TO-MORROW! (THURSDAY), AND ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, THE CHARMING JAPANESE OPERA.**

**THE GEISHA.**

**WITH ALL THE ORIGINAL SCENERY AND DRESSES FROM DALY'S THEATRE, LONDON.**

**MONDAY & TUESDAY NEXT, A RUNAWAY GIRL.**

**FULL CHORUS.**

**AUGMENTED ORCHESTRA.**

**PLAN AT ROBINSON PIANO CO. Usual Prices.**

**Doors Open 8.30. Commence 9 P.M.**

**A Late Tram will run nightly during the Company's visit.**

**BERTRAM HERMANN, Business Manager.**

Hongkong, 27th March, 1901. [851]

**THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**THE** above Company is prepared to supply the shipping in Hongkong with PURE and FILTERED WATER both for deck and boilers.

Call Flag W.

**J. W. KEW, 20, Des Vaux Road.**

Hongkong, 18th December, 1900. [5133]

**POHOOMULL BROTHERS, 57 & 59, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IMPORTERS AND EXPORTERS.**

**Have for Sale,**

**INDIAN, Chinese and Japanese Silk Goods** for Ladies and Gentlemen, and other articles, Oriental Embroidery, Bags and Carpets, Jewellery, Cashmere Shawls, Ivory, Sandalwood and Tortoiseshell Wares, Curiosities and Fancy Goods.

**INSPECTION IS SOLICITED.**

Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [27]

**NOTICE.**

**TO THE PUBLIC AND OFFICERS OF SHIPS.**

When in MOVI, go to

**THE AMERICAN HOUSE,** Where good European Accommodation can be obtained at Yen 3 per day.

Address:—NISHI HON-MACHI, ITCHOME, MOJI, 17th January, 1901. [55]

**MTSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS, NAGASAKI.**

**CODE WORD: "DOCK" NAGASAKI.** A.I. A.B.C. Scott's and Engineering Codes Used.

**DOCK No. 1 (at TATEGAMI).** Extreme Length... 523 feet. Length on Blocks... 513 " Width of Entrance on Top... 89 " Width of Entrance on Bottom... 77 " Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 26 1/2 "

**DOCK No. 2 (at MUKAJIMA).** Extreme Length... 371 feet. Length on Blocks... 350 " Width of Entrance on Top... 66 " Width of Entrance on Bottom... 53 " Water on Blocks at Spring Tide 26 1/2 "

**PATENT SLIP (at KOSUGE).** Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

**THE WORKS** are well equipped with the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS and can execute any kind of work in SHIPBUILDING and MARINE ENGINEERING as well as in REPAIRING OF SHIPS.

**THE COMPANY** has a POWERFUL SAWYAGE PLANT READY AT SHORT NOTICE.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [1419]

## AUCTIONS.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**THE** Under-signed have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

**TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),** the 28th March, 1901, at 2.45 P.M., at No. 1, Stewart Terrace, the Residence of G. A. CALDWELL, Esq.

**THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.** (Particulars can be seen from Catalogues).

TERMS:—As Customary.

On View from Wednesday, the 27th inst.

**GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.**

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1901. [837]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**THE** Under-signed have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

**on FRIDAY,** the 29th March, 1901, at 2.45 P.M., at No. 1, Canton Villas, Kowloon, the Residence of Mr. A. N. JONES.

**THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,** comprising—

Single and Double BEDSTEPS, WARD-ROBES with BEVELLED MIRRORS, BUREAU, WASHSTANDS, BUGGS, BED LINEN, BLANKETS and LACE CURTAINS.

SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLE, OVER-MANTELS, BLACKWOOD WRITING TABLE, CHAIRS, JEWELRY, ELECTRO, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, ENGRAVINGS, OIL-PAINTINGS, &c., &c.

**BATHROOM and PANTRY REQUISITES.**

On View from Thursday, 28th March. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As Customary.

**GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.**

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1901. [822]

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**

No. 102.

**THE** following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 1st day of APRIL, 1901, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

**J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.**

Hongkong, 16th March, 1901. [561]

**Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 1st day of APRIL, 1901, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.**

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

No. of Sale.

Locality.

Boundary Measurements.

Contents in Square ft.

Annual Rent.

Upset Price.

1. Rural Building Lot No. 106.

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## BANKS.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**PAID-UP CAPITAL**.....\$10,000,000

**RESERVE FUND**.....\$10,000,000

**STERLING RESERVE**.....\$10,000,000

**SILVER RESERVE**.....\$3,000,000

**RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS**.....\$10,000,000

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**HONGK**



**TO LET.**  
FROM 1st APRIL, 1901.  
**NO. 5, MORRISON HILL.**  
Apply to—  
G. C. ANDERSON,  
20, Des Vaux Road,  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1901. [766]

**TO LET.**  
(From 1st April)  
**TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS** with  
UPPER FLOORS for Dry Goods, Nos. 1  
and 2, facing the Sea, and Situated at Bel-  
cher's Bay on M. Lot 243.  
Apply to—  
JOSEPH & CO.,  
A. Duddell Street,  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [865]

**NO. 16, WYNDHAM STREET.**  
Apply to—  
F. A. DE CARVALHO,  
C. F. DE CARVALHO,  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1901. [843]

**TO LET.**  
**A HOUSE** in EIPON TERRACE.  
HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.,  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1901. [168]

**OFFICES TO LET.**  
**2ND FLOORS** of Nos. 62A and 63,  
and **GROUND FLOOR** No. 64,  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
Apply to—  
ON CHAT & CO.,  
2nd Floor No. 52, Gage Street,  
Hongkong, 16th January, 1901. [234]

**TO LET.**  
**"STILLINGFLEE" PEAK ROAD.**  
6 ROOMED HOUSE from 1st May.  
Apply to—  
ARRATON V. APCAR & CO.,  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [741]

**TO LET.**  
**RICHMOND TERRACE—Nos. 2 & 3.**  
Possession on 1st April; No. 6, Im-  
mediate Possession.  
Apply to—  
LAU CHU PAU,  
Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.,  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1901. [612]

**TO LET.**  
**POSSESSION 1st April.**  
**NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE.**  
Apply to—  
J. W. NORLE,  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1901. [661]

**TO LET.**  
**TWO ROOMS**, Corner of Queen's Road  
Central and Des Vaux Lane. Suitable  
for Living Rooms or Offices. Fully Furnished.  
May be rented together or separately.  
Apply—  
MANAGER,  
Hongkong Daily Press Office,  
Hongkong, 20th March, 1901. [719]

**TO LET.**  
**FURNISHED ROOM** with BOARD in  
K. WILSON.  
Apply to—  
B. C.,  
Care of Daily Press Office,  
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1901. [823]

**TO LET, FURNISHED.**  
**THAT** Commodious and Beautifully Situated  
Residence at the PEAK, THE EYBLE.  
For Particulars, apply to—  
R. C. WILCOX,  
8, Boscawell Arcade,  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1901. [739]

**TO LET.**  
**WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.**  
**NO. 9, SEYMOUR ROAD.**  
Apply to—  
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man brought over small parcels for twopenny  
each. It was before the parcels post, and we  
never ordered anything by letter. I  
don't know why. Dressmaking classes were  
quite a novelty, and cookery and ambu-  
lance ones had just been heard of. New  
ideas were stirring in the air. We began to  
ask each other if we should like to "be any-  
thing," but on the whole we admired ourselves  
for being content with our own villages. And  
I could write stories, and I thought of putting  
them in print.

Miss Carteret was a tall, thin girl, with  
straight eyebrows, bright, grey-blue eyes, and  
quantities of brown hair. She was very well  
dressed, and she was a brilliant teacher. I  
knew a little about teaching; we had to do it.  
May got almost too busy to teach, and her  
manner almost too free from awkwardness,  
but we thought and talked of no one else but  
the Lady Dressmaker. For she did dress make  
as well as teach. Sometimes she "went out to  
work," as she called it, and then, she said, she  
"had very good times."

Our own dressmaking quite ceased to give us  
any satisfaction. May was always turning  
Kitty and me round and criticising "the sit  
of one's back," and Kitty, who had always made  
up new bows for trimming all exactly alike,  
quite even and with a great many stitches,  
tried one with one of its legs longer than the  
other, and didn't like it.

Then I had another idea.  
"Suppose," I said on the fourth Wednesday  
on which the Arab took us in to Longford,  
"suppose we could get Miss Carteret to come  
out and stay with us for a fortnight and do up  
our things. She might come in with us to the  
classes."

"Nora! what a first-class notion! But  
where should she stay?"  
"Well, there'd be more time at Kitty's, if  
our boys came home for Easter. Would your  
mother, Kit?"

Mrs. Kestrell, Kitty's mother, always had  
things pretty and nice. They had a sweet little  
spare room. I used sometimes to wish I could  
go away to live, and come back and stay in it,  
and as she was very indulgent and kind most of  
our experiments were tried at the cottage. We  
rushed in upon her, and propounded the idea,  
and she came into it without difficulty. She  
"thought it was a very good plan." My mother  
and May's made no objection, so Kitty wrote a  
note to Miss Carteret asking her to come back  
with us on the next Thursday, and she agreed  
at once—with a warm expression of pleasure.

She was three or four years older than we  
were, and though four people made a tight fit  
for the long cart, and her horse and I and  
Kitty, she seemed to enjoy the ride. She did not  
mind walking a good part of the way to get the  
Arab on, she told us to call her Helen, and we  
were all excellent friends by the time that we  
came trotting—no, I don't think that I can  
honestly say that the Arab trotted—but we came  
ambling into the village, and met the Rector  
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but he looked rather hard at her, and she blushed  
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LIVERPOOL DIRECT	TANTALUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th April.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	STUTTGART	Ger. str.	—	F. Gersch	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th April.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	J. W. Wals	MELCHERS & CO.	On 3rd April, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. S'PORE, &c.	CANDIA	Ger. str.	—	A. W. Symes, R.N.R.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 5th April, at Daylight.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	—	Proesch	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 19th April, at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAVOIA	Ger. str.	—	Behrens	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 20th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BAMBERG	Ger. str.	—	Jacobs	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 29th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBIRIA	Ger. str.	—	Kniep	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 4th April.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	GYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	R. Archibald, R.N.R.	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On or about 8th April.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	QUEEN ADELAIDE	Brit. str.	—	F. McNair	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On or about 3rd April.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	—	G. D. Bowles, R.N.R.	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 3rd April.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	IZUMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. J. Curran	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On or about 10th April.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOY, &c.	COPTIC	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th April, at 4 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	U. & O. S. N. Co.	On 15th April, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CITY OF PEKING	Amr. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
SAN DIEGO, &c. VIA HOULI, &c.	SPARHOFER	Brit. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. CO.	On 30th April, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Tate	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 12th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 11th April, at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	P. T. Helms	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at Daylight.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Trant	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th April, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	SECHUEN	Brit. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CANTON	Brit. str.	—	C. F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	KONGSBERG	Ger. str.	—	Christiansen	SIEGSEN & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
POOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOBRADO	Brit. str.	—	S. Alami	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On or about 30th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & POOCHOW	ANTING MARU	Jap. str.	—	Roch	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.	On 10th April, at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFO	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Sudzuki	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Ogata	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 3rd April, at Daylight.
CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	—	G. T. Blaxland	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst.
MANILA	ESMERALDA	Brit. str.	—	N. Tate	SWANSON, TOMES & CO.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
MANILA	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
MANILA	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th April.
SINGAPORE	CHOWTAL	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	MELPOMENE	Aus. str.	—	Matovich	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 3rd April, P.M.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	MIKE MARU	Jap. str.	—	S. Kawamura	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at Noon.

## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
Mar. 26, ROSETTA MARU, Japanese str., 3,875, N. Tate, Nagasaki 22nd March, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Mar. 26, HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Bouch, Fochow, Amoy and Swatow 25th Mar. General.—DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.  
Mar. 26, AFRIDI, British str., 2,354, S. Golding, Glasgow and Liverpool 30th Jan. and Singapore 19th Mar., General.—DODWELL & CO., LTD.  
Mar. 26, HIKOSAN MARU, Japanese str., 2,302, Hallstrom, Moji 20th March, Cook.—M. B. KATSKA.  
Mar. 26, CANTON, British str., 1,110, Lawrence, Canton 25th March, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.  
Mar. 26, SECHUEN, British str., 1,158, Hall, Canton 26th March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

## CLEARANCES.

**AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.**  
26th March.  
Pakhan, British str., for Swatow.  
Lowang, British str., for Shanghai.  
Sechuen, British str., for Shanghai.  
Kutang, British str., for Hongkong.  
Anping Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
Fronts, German str., for Hainan.  
Arctur, Austrian str., for Moji.  
Masagon, British str., for Singapore.  
Siam, British str., for Singapore.  
Glenora, British str., for Shanghai.  
Sabine Rickmers, British str., for Swatow.  
Suisang, British str., for Singapore.  
Prosper, Norwegian str., for Amoy.  
Decima, German str., for Swatow.  
Keongwai, German str., for Swatow.

## DEPARTURES.

Mar. 26, HISEN HO, German str., for Canton.  
Mar. 26, BENCULUTIA, British str., for Canton.  
Mar. 26, WHAMPORA, British str., for Canton.  
Mar. 26, JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, Ger. str., for Hoibow.  
Mar. 26, KEONGWAI, German str., for Bangkok.  
Mar. 26, DECIMA, German str., for Swatow.  
Mar. 26, OCEANUS, French str., for Shanghai.  
Mar. 26, HOIBAO, French str., for Pakhoi.  
Mar. 26, TAIHUN, Amr. str., for Shanghai.  
Mar. 26, YAMAGUCHI MARU, Jap. str., for Moji.  
Mar. 26, PACER, Norwegian str., for Amoy.  
Mar. 26, HOIBOW, British str., for Taiwan.  
Mar. 26, FORMOSA, British str., for Swatow.  
Mar. 26, SUISANG, British str., for Calcutta.  
Mar. 26, S. RICHARDS, Brit. str., for Swatow.  
Mar. 26, GLENORA, British str., for Shanghai.  
Mar. 26, SIAM, British str., for Singapore.  
Mar. 26, MAZAGON, British str., for Bombay.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

**ABERDEEN DOCKS.**—Elita Nossah, Flondria, Kowloon Dock.—U.S.S. Isla de Luzon, U.S.S. Bennington, U.S.S. Yorktown, S.M.S. Hertha, U.S.S. Newark, S.M.S. Jager, H.M.S. Firebrand, Hanoi, Hilo, Hating, Solent, Lung Tai, Fochow.  
**IMPERIAL DOCK.**—U.S.S. Concord, Connie, Mila, Victoria, Ousang, Perla.

## SHIPPING REPORT.

The British steamer *Haitan* from Fochow, Amoy and Swatow, 25th March, had moderate N.E. breeze and sea, dull, overcast and showery weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow light E.N.E. breeze, smooth sea, fine and clear. From Swatow to port moderate E. to light E.N.E. breeze, slight sea, cloudy and clear. Vessels in Fochow—H.M.S. Britomart and str. *Kaichin*. In Amoy—Pakhoi, German gunboat and French cruiser. In Swatow—Fochow, *Thales*, *Kuiking*, *Kiukiang*, *Chefoo* and *Feiching*.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

**CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.**  
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**"TARTAR."**  
(4,225 Tons).  
Captain G. D. Bowles, R.N.R., will leave Hongkong on or about WEDNESDAY, the 10th April, 1901, taking Passengers and Cargo For VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER, B.C. (VIA INLAND SEA, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).  
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Hongkong, 8th March, 1901.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR MANILA.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"ESMERALDA."  
Captain G. T. Blaxland, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 27th inst., at 5 P.M.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is fitted with the Electric Light.  
A Doctor is carried.  
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Hongkong, 26th February, 1901.

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STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.  
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.  
THE Steamship  
"PLASSY."  
Captain C. F. Preston, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Marseilles and London, on SATURDAY, the 30th March, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.  
All Cargo for France and London will be conveyed direct without transhipment.  
Cargo for Bombay will be transhipped at Colombo into the s.s. *Muzagon*.  
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.  
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.  
For further particulars, apply to  
H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 18th March, 1901.

**THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.**  
FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"DAIJIN MARU."  
Captain T. Ogata, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 1st inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1901.

**THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.**  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFO.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"AKASHI MARU."  
Captain K. Sudzuki, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April, at DAYLIGHT.  
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Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1901.

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
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Captain P. T. Helms, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 11th of April, at Noon.  
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, &c., &c., throughout the voyage.  
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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
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Hongkong, 25th March, 1901.

## PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

## STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI AND JAPAN	CANTON	10 A.M., 27th	Freight or Passage.
PAN	C. F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	Mar.	
LONDON, &c.	PLASSY	Noon, 30th	See Special Advertisement.
	C. F. Preston, R.N.R.	Mar.	
SHANGHAI	SOBRADO	About 30th	Freight or Passage.
	L. M. Wilmer, R.N.R.	March.	
LONDON	BOMBAY	About 8th	Freight or Passage.
	G.M. Montford, R.N.R.	April.	
MARSEILLES AND LONDON	CANDIA	About 20th	Freight only.
	A. W. Symes, R.N.R.	April.	

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1901.

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing
QUEEN ADELAIDE	2,832	F. McNair	March 29
GLENORA	3,750	W. Frakes	April 8
CLAYBURN	3,328	J. E. Rae	April 12
OLYMPIA	2,537	J. Trevellick	April 26
TACOMA	2,811	A. Dixon	May 17

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1901.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
FREIBURG	HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	On 29th
Cap. Proesch	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	March
MARBURG	HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	About 2nd
Cap. v. Binzer	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	April
SAVOIA	HAVRE & HAMBURG	About 4th
Cap. Behrens	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	April
BAMBERG	HAVRE & HAMBURG	About 8th
Cap. Jacobs	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	April
SIBIRIA	HAVRE & HAMBURG	About 15th
Cap. Kniep	(London with transhipment in Hamburg)	April

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1901.

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* KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY	17th April
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY	1st May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY	15th May
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	29th May
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	THURSDAY	18th June
SACHSEN	THURSDAY	27th June
KIAUTSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	THURSDAY	11th July
BAYERN	THURSDAY	25th July
STUTTGART	THURSDAY	8th August
KONIG ALBERT	THURSDAY	22nd August
PRINZESS IRENE	THURSDAY	5th September
PRINZ HEINRICH	THURSDAY	19th September
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	2nd October
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	16th October
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	30th October
KIAUTSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY	13th November
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	27th November

ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1901, at Noon, the Steamer "STUTTGART," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain F. Gersch, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1901.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA (THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
AWA MARU	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	Friday, 29th Mar., at 3
N. Trant	BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE and PENANG	Friday, 29th Mar., at 3
MIKE MARU	COLOMBO	Noon
S. Kawamura	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BEISSANE	Friday, 29th Mar., at 4 P.M.
ROSETTA MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	Friday, 5th April, at Daylight
N. Tate	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	Friday, 12th April, at Daylight
TAMBA MARU	VICTORIA, B.C. AND SHANGHAI, U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE, MOJI AND YOKOHAMA	Saturday, 13th April, at 7 P.M.
J. W. Wals	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	Friday, 19th April, at Daylight
INABA MARU	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	Friday, 12th April, at Daylight
W. Bainbridge	VICTORIA, B.C. AND SHANGHAI, U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE, MOJI AND YOKOHAMA	Saturday, 13th April, at 7 P.M.
IZUMI MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	Friday, 19th April, at Daylight
M. J. Curran	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	Friday, 12th April, at Daylight
SANUKI MARU	VICTORIA, B.C. AND SHANGHAI, U.S.A. VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE, MOJI AND YOKOHAMA	Saturday, 13th April, at 7 P.M.
W. Townsend	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID	Friday, 19th April, at Daylight

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1901.

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"EMPERESS OF INDIA"—Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 24th April, 1901.  
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"—Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 15th May, 1901.

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